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SUBJ: SOVIET RESPONSE TO GOE REQUEST FOR "VISUALIZATION"

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1. DURING CONVERSATION JANUARY 5 WITH SOVIET FIRST SECRETARY
OLEG DERKOVSKY, POLCOUNS ASKED IF ANY TRUTH TO REPORT IN
ROSE AL-YUSUF OF JANUARY 3 THAT USSR HAD GIVEN GOE MEMORANDUM
IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR " VISUALIZATION" OF MIDDLE EAST
SETTLEMENT. ROSE AL-YUSUF HAD SAID DOCUMENT CONTAINED SIX
POINTS: (A) SPEEDING UP RECONVENING OF GENEVA MEPC;
(B) PALESTINIANS TO ATTEND AT LATER STAGE; (C) WITHDRAWAL TO
'67 BORDERS; (D) "NATIONAL HOME" FOR PALESTINIANS; (E)
INTERNATIONAL GUARANTEES AND (F) ARAB ADMINISTRATION FOR ARAB SECTOR
AND INTERNATIONALIZATION OF JERUSALEM.

2. DERKOVSKY SAID THERE NO TRUTH TO ROSE AL-YUSUF REPORT. GOE
HAD, HOWEVER, OFFICIALLY REQUESTED SOVIET "VISUALIZATION" AND
SOVIETS HAD RESPONDED THAT THEIR POSITION REMAINS AS
SPELLED OUT IN OCTOBER 1 PROPOSAL. HE SAID SOVIETS
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CONTINUEDWANT FULL PARTICIPATION OF PLO FROM THE BEGINNING
AND TO FAVOR PALESTINIAN STATE. THEY HAD NOT TAKEN SPECIFIC
POSITION ON JERUSALEM. DERKOVSKY WENT ON TO STRESS IMPORTANCE
USSR PLACES ON EARLIEST POSSIBLE CONVENING OF GENEVA MEPC.
HE SAID US AND USSR AS CO-SPONSORS OF MEPC AND SUPERPOWERS
HAD RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST
AND THEY SHOULD NOT PERMIT SUCH "LOCAL" PROBLEMS AS ISRAELI

ELECTIONS PREVENT SUCH "LOCAL" PROBLEMS AS ISRAELI
ELECTIONS PREVENT THEM FROM FINDING SOLUTION. THIS WOULD NOT,
IN HIS WORDS, MEAN IMPOSED SOLUTION BUT ONLY EFFECTIVELY
APPLIED PRESSURE AT RIGHT TIME ON CERTAIN PARTIES.

3. SOVIET-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS. HIGH LEVEL SOVIET DELEGATION
TO NEGOTIATE TRADE PROTOCOL FOR 1977 WILL ARRIVE AFTER
JANUARY 20 AND BE HEADED BY DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN
TRADE. AS NOTED IN REFTEL GOE POSTURE
DURING THESE NEGOTIATIONS ESPECIALLY ON DEBT REPAYMENT
WILL, IN SOVIET AMBASSADOR'S VIEW, SIGNAL HOW FAR GOE WILLING
TO GO TO IMPROVE RELATIONS.
THERE ARE NO CURRENT PLANS FOR SECOND FAHMY-GROMYKO MEETING.
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